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Title of Application: FREE SPACE COLLECTION IN INFORMATION STORAGE SYSTEMS**Transmitted with the patent application are the following:**

46 Page(s) Specification, claims, abstract
 5 Page(s) Formal drawing
 2 Page(s) Declaration and Power of Attorney
 2 Page(s) Assignment
 2 Page(s) Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) (copies of citations not included in number of pages)
 37 Page(s) Certified copy of United Kingdom application filed on 19 August 2000, Serial Number 0020395.0

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	Claims		Extra	Rate	Fees
Basic Fee					710
Total Claims	27	-20 =	7	× \$18.00	126
Independent Claims	3	-3 =		× \$80.00	
Multiple Dependent Claim				270	
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